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FLYING SAUCERS OVER INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN CONNECTICUT

Flurry of Sightings After Formation of IFSB

WASHINGTON, D.C. — During July and August there were unusual reports from our Capitol that saucers were picked up on the radar equipment at that location. The Air Force ordered jet planes up to chase these objects that caused "blips" to appear on the radar screen. No satisfactory solution has yet been decided upon. One scientist claims to have formed flying saucers in a test tube—but that's not definite yet, either.

NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.—Sightings were reported over midtown Manhattan after the news of the radar discovery in Washington, D.C. Persons seeing the objects claimed that they were of an orange color and oval shape. Within ten days sixty reports were made. All this took place in the latter part of July, but reports have still been coming in.

LOS ALAMOS, N.M.—An unidentified object was sighted over major atomic installations at Los Alamos. It was shiny and metallic, made a 360 degree turn and appeared for about 30 minutes. Jet fighters pursued but with no success. Occurrence August 2, 1952.

LANCASTER, CALIF. — Over the Mojave Desert—Two round reddish white lights were reported moving in the sky shortly before midnight. Jets investigated with no results. August 2, 1952.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Large meteorite object burst over Seattle, and after it fell apart there was an explosive roar. This happened during July.

MIAMI, FLA. — Eight saucers sighted by airline pilots over Chesapeake Bay. They were 100 feet in diameter, moving at 1000 miles per hour, and glowing like red hot coals. July 16, 1952.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—It seems that the flying saucer occupants know of the formation of the IFSB and its purpose. Since the formation of the society numerous objects have been sighted over Bridgeport and surrounding towns. Previous to this there were no sightings. It may be only a coincidence but the officers of the IFSB do not consider it to be such. The occupants of the saucers may be looking for friends and have found them in the IFSB.

In Bridgeport alone a couple riding in their automobile in Seaside Park sighted a round ball-like object traveling about 3000 feet up and at a rate of approximately 200 to 300 miles per hour.

One of our own club members sighted an orange object, round in shape with a point in front. It came from the west and she lost sight of it in the sun. She sighted this object before she became a member of the IFSB.

In Milford, Connecticut about eight miles from Bridgepo , the police and thirty residents sighted a bright silver ball over Long Island Sound.

Silver objects that hung in the sky were observed in New Haven, Connecticut by aircraft ground observers.

The President of the IFSB is losing sleep nights hoping that he will get to see one of the saucers. If they decide to contact anyone he wants to be on hand for that occasion.

The President announces that branches of the IFSB will soon be in operation in England, France and Brazil. People have been contacted there and have shown wide interest. We hope to also have branches in Mexico, Italy, and Australia. We are already formed in two Canadian Provinces, Ontario and Quebec.

MAYFIELD, KY. — Strange object sighted by twenty persons. Bright orange and yellow color, 100 feet long, and with round nose and pointed tail. August 31, 1952.

DENVER, COLO.—Objects moving at 3000 m.p.h. were reported by a veteran airlines pilot over Denver. They seemed to be controlled objects of yellowish tinge. They had no light or glow. Occurrence—July 19, 1952.

CLINTON, IOWA—Three fishermen sighted an egg-shaped object, very bright, which moved in a whirling clockwise motion. It disappeared and reappeared before taking off. August.

SEOUL, KOREA—Crew members of United States bombers sighted mysterious objects over Korea. They were globe-shaped, bright orange in color and emitted an occasional flash of bluish light. July, 1952.

DAYTON, OHIO—In two weeks over sixty reports of strange objects were reported. June 17, 1952.

DODGE CITY, KAN. — American Airlines pilot sighted "bluish-white" star-like object. It was traveling at about 500 to 1000 m.p.m. This was sighted in August.

MADRID, SPAIN — Several hundred residents sighted three round, shiny objects traveling at tremendous speed. The objects left vaporous trails. August, 1952.

SALEM, MASS.—A Coast Guard photographer claims to have snapped a picture of three flying saucers in formation. The photo was printed in all leading newspapers on August 1, 1952.

LANSING, MICHIGAN — Yellowish-orange "things" hovered in the skies over Lansing. The objects varied in size from cigar-shapes to saucer shapes. July 29, 1952.

OGDENSBURG, N.Y.—Three silver-objects sighted in the sky about 20 minutes. Shape seemed to be round and in three sections. July 25, 1952.

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.—Scoutmaster and three scouts encountered strange object in wooded area. Tried to investigate and were blasted by ball of fire. The object was shaped like a half-a-rubber ball, about three feet thick and high enough in the middle to permit a man to stand. He claims he knows what the object was, but that it was better for him not to go any further with his knowledge because it might cause panic. The Scoutmaster said that his hair was singed off and tiny holes burned in his cap. The grass and growth around the area was burned. Army is investigating. August 23, 1952.

ANCONA, ITALY — An object blazing as bright as the sun crashed into the sea off the Adriatic Coast. August 2, 1952.

FT. WORTH, TEXAS — A noiseless fast-moving form with a fiery tail, sighted near Ft. Worth. August, 1952.

CHEYENNE, WYO.—Two air base airmen reported seeing a large "flying saucer" object coming out of the east as a tiny dot, it grew larger and threw off a blinding light. It hovered over the base about 30 seconds and then took off to the west. August 9, 1952.

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK—A Lt. Comdr. of a ship claims to have seen a bluish-glowing triangle. Speed estimated at about 932 m.p.h. in southeast direction. Sept. 14, 1952.

SUTTON, W. VA.—A housewife and six boys investigating a report that a flying saucer had landed on a farm, were confronted with a 10-foot tall monster, with a bright green body and a blood-red face. The monster gave off an overpowering odor that made all of them vomit. The group ran off, they were so frightened. Investigation proved that only the odor remained—but what was it? Sept. 14, 1952.

MEMBERS: For more detailed information on any of these reports write to IFSS.—Please date all clippings mailed in to us, and let us know the source.

EDITORIAL

People reading the newspapers today take little note of the small articles that appear from time to time about the "flying saucers" or other strange flying objects sighted in the skies. They no doubt read them but only laugh or scoff at their authenticity. However, if these same articles were placed on the front page of any newspaper in blaring inch headlines, everyone would be in a panic, such as was created by the Orson Welles broadcast of years back.

For many years now objects have been seen in the skies, but little heed has been paid to them. The earth has evidently been under observation of some greater power out in space. If they are human, they are undoubtedly far more advanced than we are here on earth. If space travel has been mastered by this super race they must be advanced to heights unbelievable by earthmen.

Recently scientists made public that it is impossible for people of other planets, if there be any, to travel the distance from any planet to ours. However, I do not agree with their very unintelligent opinion because they did not consider the fact that people on other planets may have found the way of preserving life. If it actually would take a period of years to reach earth in their spacecraft, what would a few years mean to them, when they could possibly live for eternity.

Can you imagine a scientist creating a flying saucer in a test tube. Wow! How far can they go with their theories. I wonder if these test tube saucers had any occupants.

A very intelligent theory by one of our own members has possibilities. He claims that the saucer-people may have discovered the fourth dimension. Having discovered this, they found a way of traveling that surpasses anything conceived by earthmen.

In my opinion, the U.S.A. has already sent a rocket to the moon with humans as passengers, but under strict secrecy. The general public won't know about it for a couple of years. It would be dangerous to reveal this to the public now, since one of the foreign powers is in a position to wage war or challenge us. The army did reveal sending up a rocket filled with mice, chickens, and a goat which reached 250 miles. The animals were unharmed.

In summing it up, it would be wise for the public to start turning its eyes and thoughts toward the heavens, because there is more danger lurking there than on the earth itself.

THE PRESIDENT GREET'S ALL MEMBERS AND OFFICERS:

The President of the International Flying Saucer Bureau welcomes all members and officers into our organization and sincerely hopes that everyone enjoys their term with us.

AL K. BENDER



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A NOTE OF WELCOME

It is indeed a pleasure to welcome you into our organization. We trust that you will find this first issue to your complete satisfaction and it is our hope that you will not hesitate sending us your comments—good or bad.

Remember, this magazine will strive to please you but without your help this cannot be done. If, at any time, you would like to send in any article, we shall endeavor to find space for it in some future issue.

MAX KRENGEL, *Associate Editor*



FROM THE ASSOCIATE EDITOR'S DESK

The mystery of the "flying saucers" will be eventually solved by calm, clear thinking individuals.

As of this moment, we have three different types of individuals giving forth three different theories on the subject. The first type believes that the saucers are objects from either other planets or from somewhere on our own. The second type believes that the objects sighted are merely some form of natural phenomenon, though unexplainable. The third type claims that the other two are suffering from hallucinations and are seeing things which do not exist. It is this third type of individual upon whom I desire to comment.

When one reads the names of some of the people who have gone on record as having sighted these objects, intelligent people find it difficult to lightly push them aside with the claim that they were "seeing things". Airline and Air Force pilots are people not normally subject to hallucinations about what they see in their sky. I cannot imagine anyone telling the pilots who have chased these objects that they were chasing something that did not exist.

It is my opinion that something is up there. Just what it is I would not presume to say. This mystery demands a solution and anyone who believes that it is impossible for anything to be there, even in the light of overwhelming proof by official and non-official sources, lay themselves open to doubts about their intelligence. They are not interested in proving one way or another just what it is people are sighting. They are saying, in effect, that since they do not understand what is going on, everyone else must be crazy.

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SCIENCE FICTION NEWS



Alan C. Rieyman

Latest S-F movie is "3000 A.D." reported to be very good. Tells of New York City in the year 3000 A.D. The people revert to savage state after an atomic war destroys everything.

Latest *Galaxy* Novels publications is "City in the Sea" by Wilson "Bob" Tucker. For an evening of enjoyment get this novel now. It is superb.

Also by the same author is the Science Fiction Newsletter which is published four times a year. For information, write to P.O. Box 702, Bloomington, Illinois. Highly recommended.

Another excellent fanzine is Science and Culture Magazine published by Stanley Crouch, Holly Circle, Sterling, Virginia. Excellent publication. Mr. Crouch is a member of our Council.

The United States Rocket Society, Box 29, Glen Ellyn, Illinois, publishes a very informative pamphlet entitled "Rockets". We urge all members of IFSB to join this society.

Latest S-F pocket book by Bob Heinlein is "The Green Hills of Earth". Another novel by the same author is due.

A. E. VanVogt has published a new anthology which is said to be as good as his previous work.

Grosset and Dunlap have put out a dollar edition of Isaac Asimov's book—"I, Robot".

"Double in Space" which is composed of two excellent stories by Fletcher Pratt, has recently been put on the market.

An article on flying saucers appeared in the September issue of *True* magazine. I might add it was very informative and proved a point to all that read it.

Franklin M. Dietz, Jr., of 156 West Main Street, Kings Park, L.I., N.Y., has

decided to put his fanzine Science-Fantasy and Science Fiction on tape instead of publishing it. This tape is sent to all members of his society that own tape-recorders. Mr. Dietz is a member of our Council.

In my opinion the best of the S-F movies to date has been "Destination Moon". For one thing, it could conceivably happen in the near future and also because of the technical style in which it was done. Technical advice was supplied by Bob Heinlein.

One of the best anthologies available is "Destination: Universe".

For true stories of the strange, the unusual, the unknown the IFSB highly recommends *FATE* magazine, published monthly by the Clark Publishing Company, 806 Dempster Street, Evanston, Ill. The Editor, Mr. Robert N. Webster, is a member of our Council, so let's all subscribe to this wonderful magazine.

Just what you Flying Saucer Fans are looking for: SAUCER REVIEW, published by Elliott Rockmore, P.O. Box 148, Wall Street Station, New York.

We will place any ads in this column for our members or officers that may have articles for sale, or otherwise. There will be no charge.

Subscribe to CONN-FAN, published by the Connecticut Science Fiction League. Write to 130 Vera Street, W. Hartford, Conn.

Any readers who might have something to add to this column, please send your comments to IFSB. Send us news of your Science Fiction Club activities.

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MY THEORY

By I. F. S. B. Members

THEORY NO. 1—Submitted by Representative GAIL SPRAGUE, Wisconsin.

After reading all the material I could obtain on the saucers, I have come to the conclusion that they are from another planet. I have tried to find some other explainable reason for the saucers and was ready to believe that they might be figments of the imagination, balloons, etc., but when such reliable men as scientists and astronomers give vivid descriptions of the saucers which they spotted, I cannot believe this. Often people may mistake an object as a saucer but scientific men are not easily influenced by what they see.

I - - - do not believe that these are - - - something developed by Russia or the United States or hysteria, balloons, reflections, meteors, etc.

THEORY NO. 2—Submitted by RONALD GMYREK, Member from Minnesota.

I believe the flying saucers are truly from another planet, mainly Mars. I think that they operate by some form of magnetic force and that the beings inside are many years ahead of us, in intelligence, that is.

Some people just laugh at the idea of life on other planets. I don't see why they do this. After all, earth is "another" planet if viewed from another body and we are its inhabitants. I believe that the beings in the saucers are here mainly for observation and perhaps, communication.

THEORY NO. 3—Submitted by FRANK GARAY, Member from Connecticut.

I think the flying saucers are space ships built by a much more intelligent race than ours. I also believe that the creatures in these saucers, if any, are beings who come to our planet in peace. They probably describe our planet as "a planet of wars" inhabited by people who use their power for the destruction of their fellow men.

I believe that any race who has mastered space travel must have been in peace all their lives. So, when these creatures land on our planet they will come here in peace and it is up to us to be unafraid and to welcome them.

THEORY No. 4—Submitted by Representative DICK CAMPBELL, Indiana.

These objects are from another planet, which one is unknown. I think the planet is Venus for three reasons: (1) In most respects Venus is like earth in size and diameter. (2) Venus is the nearest planet during conjunction and the nearest in the solar system. (3) Venus always has a cloud covering the surface to prevent astronomers from seeing the surface.

THEORY NO. 5—Submitted by Representative RONALD KINNEAR, New York.

I believe that intelligent beings are aboard the saucer ships and they are making a complete analysis of life and progress on our planet. There is a great possibility that living conditions on this planet are highly suitable to intelligent beings of a less fortunate planet. I believe that the truth concealed by our government officials should be told to the people in a man to man fashion.

EDITOR NOTE:

In each issue the editors shall endeavor to allow one page for the theories of members of the IFSB. We will welcome any that you may send us for publication. If your theory is not published immediately it will appear in a future issue. All theories become the property of the IFSB and cannot be returned.

HIGHLIGHTS about REPRESENTATIVES

VICTOR ROOT, Rep. Illinois—One of our more active representatives flooding this office with clippings and news items. He is to be commended for active work in keeping us posted. Keep up the good work, Vic!

ROBERT R. RITTER, Rep. Tennessee—Informs us many strange aerial objects sighted in his state. Claims that many of the reports are due to natural causes but some may be actual spacecraft.

LOUIE MASONICK, Rep. Minnesota—Not too many reports of aerial objects in his state. Wonder why Minnesota should be different? Louie has sent in numerous clippings.

ALAN RIEVMAN, Rep. Connecticut—Our International Secretary is certainly doing fine work. Besides obtaining new members for us he has turned over to this office a batch of news reports. Has obtained the largest amount of new members and exceeds all other representatives to date.

EARL D. BROADDUS, Rep. Kentucky—At work rounding up new members. Suggests that members tune in to radio commentator Frank Edwards. He finds that Mr. Edwards seems to keep pretty well up to date on saucer reports.

BRUCE A. JENKINS, Rep. Michigan—Reports that August was one of the busiest months as far as flying saucer sightings were concerned and most of these sightings were later confirmed. He personally checked on fifty-three sightings in his immediate area.

GAIL SPRAGUE, Rep. Wisconsin—Sent in numerous clippings mounted on heavy cardboard and all were of great interest to the IFSB. Miss Sprague has shown great interest in the IFSB and we know that she will prove to be one of our best representatives.

J. RONALD ALBERT, Rep. Ontario, Canada—Wha happened? No reports.

DICK CAMPBELL, Rep. Indiana—Claims he has many friends interested in IFSB. We hope that they will be future members.

GILBERT E. MENICUCCI, Rep. California—Doing his best to get members for IFSB, and sent in clippings.

MARVIN KISOR, Rep. Wyoming—Sent in clippings in regards to sightings in his state.

DIANE BUCHANAN, Rep. Iowa—No monthly reports. Send in clippings.

We would like to receive personal data about our Representatives such as birthdays, anniversaries, vacation trips, weddings, etc. We will publish anything of interest to other members.

Let's get those monthly reports rolling in on time, and let's get some new members for the IFSB. For every new member, you get two months free membership.

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Above names will not be published again. Additional names in future issues.

LET'S LOOK AT THE HEAVENS

October 3rd, Harvest Moon; 11th, 3 A.M. Saturn at conjunction with sun (becomes morning star); 22nd, Before dawn, Orionid meteors; November 1st, Hunter's Moon; 8th, 4 P.M. Jupiter at opposition with sun (rises about sunset); 9th, 10 P.M., Mercury farthest east of sun, prominent evening star; 16th, Before dawn, Leonid Meteor Shower; December 12th, Before Dawn, Geminid Meteor Shower; 18th, 5 P.M., Mercury farthest west of sun, prominent morning star; 21st, 4:44 P.M., Beginning of winter in northern hemisphere. Sun farthest South—at winter solstice.

(Courtesy of the Hayden Planetarium, New York City, N.Y.)

THE HAYDEN PLANETARIUM SHOW SCHEDULE

81st Street at Central Park West,
New York 24, New York

October, November—"The Earth in Space"

December—"The Star of Bethlehem"

"ESCAPE"

by Akben Dem

"So, you dismissed all the workers today, Professor?"

"Yes, the job is completed and we are ready to take off at one A.M."

"One A.M.! But, Professor, you promised to take all those people with us and now they are all—"

"I know! I know! But I've changed my mind. Without them we can carry that much more food and supplies so that we will be able to survive that much longer on the planet Nao. Why should we worry about the others, let them perish in their atomic wars. The bombs are getting closer by the day. You can feel the vibration and the skies are darkened with the destruction they have wrought. Sooner or later someone will discover our secret. We cannot linger any longer. It must be at one A.M. or NEVER, this planet is doomed to destruction by a vast chain reaction."

"Professor, aren't you afraid that some of the workers may get suspicious and return to damage the ship?"

"No! Have no fear of that, I gave them a bonus plus their regular salary today. They will be celebrating tonight with the idea that it is their last night on this planet. We will be millions of miles away before they ever sober up to reality."

"Fine, but I think we should get some sleep. I'll set the timer to awake us just an hour before take-off time."

"Good! You go ahead and sleep. I'll take a last minute look at the ship before I try to doze off."

"Right, Professor, but try to get some sleep."

I suddenly awakened to a tremendous roar and the whole building shook. I thought at once that we were too late and that the atomic bombs had caught up with us. I reached over to wake up the Professor, but the Professor wasn't there. I raced outside—, the rocket was gone, smoke and dust covered the area. The Professor left without me. He never had any intentions of taking me with him. He wanted to be the only one to reach Nao.

As I staggered in a dazed condition back to the building, a sudden bright light lit up the whole grounds where I stood and a roar came from directly above me. The Professor was returning to pick me up.

A large shadow came down out of the sky not one hundred feet from me and before my eyes could adjust themselves, a large saucer-like object dropped to the ground with a terrific crash.

Steam and smoke hid the object from view, but after a few minutes two large figures stepped out of the mist. They were clad in suits made of a bright orange color, while over their heads they wore a plastic-like helmet. In every respect they resembled human beings, but they were almost six feet tall.

As they approached me, I began to back away until one of them spoke up in perfect English:

"We have come here in peace from our world. We wanted to escape the atomic wars there. Our planet was destroyed by chain reactions. We want a place to live and start anew. You see, we came from the sixth planet in the fourth orbit."

"Why, that's Nao!" I exclaimed in amazement.

"Well, you may call it that, but to us it was called Earth."

We will welcome any short-short stories from our members. All stories must be original and by a member of IFSB. Nothing will be returned unless you enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Address all manuscripts to IFSB.

SAUCER SIGHTINGS BY IFSB MEMBERS

SIGHTING NO. 1—George D. Fawcett, Member of the Council, Mount Airy, N.C.

Sighted at Lynchburg, Va., on July 6, 1951 between 8:25 and 8:29 A.M.
Shape of Object—Round, half-ball, disk-like globe.
Color of Object—Orange.
Speed—Slow at first just after hovering and then gained speed.
Peculiarities—No noise, no vapor or exhaust trail. Looked like another sun, hovered, zig-zagged.
Height—About 225 feet high.
Visibility—For about four minutes.
Direction of Flight—East to West.
Size of the Object—Seemed size of large tractor tire.
Report Made To—Wright Patterson Air Base; Civilian Saucer Investigation in Cal.

SIGHTING NO. 2—Dick Campbell, Representative for Indiana, Franklin, Indiana.

Sighted at—Over Franklin, Indiana, about 3:30 A.M., July 28, 1952.
Shape of Object—All three were disc-shape.
Color of Object—Yellow-orange-red.
Speed—250-300 m.p.h.
Peculiarities—Just before it was over the small disc pulled directly under one of the other ships.
Height—15,000 feet.
Visibility—For about three hours.
Direction of Flight—South.
Formation of Flight—In triangle.
Report Made to—No one. Policeman next door saw same thing.

SIGHTING NO. 3—Barbara Knorr, Member Bridgeport, Conn.

Sighted at—Bridgeport, Conn., on July 28, 1952 at 11:00 a.m.
Shape of Object—Round with point on one end.
Color of Object—Orange.
Speed—Slow.
Peculiarities—Did not move straight but in a half-circle.
Height—Could not estimate.
Visibility—About one minute.
Direction of Flight—West to East.
Report Made to—Radar Tower at the Municipal Airport.

When sending in your reports on Saucer Sightings please give the date that the saucer was sighted. Do not put down the date that you make out the report. Thank you!

ARE SAUCERS HERE TO STAY?

by Earl D. Broadus, Kentucky Representative

I started reading Science Fiction nearly twenty-five years ago. Anything that might possibly happen such as a visitor from another planet, or galaxy, I would be reasonably well prepared for. Don't get me wrong. I wouldn't be too surprised . . . but I sure would be as excited as a palsied Mexican jumping bean with the seven-year itch. Therefore, when in 1947 the saucer story hit the headlines I guess I more or less greeted the news as something I had been looking forward to for a long time, like greeting an old friend.

The many books and articles you see now concerning strange objects in the sky have caused quite a flurry of excitement to a lot of people, especially to those who have never discovered Science Fiction. Apparently a lot of the skeptics are gradually coming around to a point of asking a few explanations.

The Government has a lot of us wondering whether it is trying to protect the public or stick its head in the sand. Unless the Government has something new it can't talk about, but does know something about the saucers, I believe the time is about right for that little bit of information.

One of the most recent reports is the very interesting phone interview with Bill Squire by Frank Edwards, radio commentator. Bill lives in Pittsburgh, Kansas, and was going to work early one morning at radio station KOAM when he spotted this thing beside the road. Apparently it was hovering about ten feet above the ground. It seemed to have windows or ports and a constantly changing bluish light inside. As he drove up even with it and killed his motor he could hear a sort of pulsing sound coming from the thing. He said it was about seventy-five feet long and had a dull finish. As he pulled up and stopped, Bill said the thing took off straight up and made a sound that reminded him of about a hundred quail that had been flushed.

Naturally, all the reports and articles give you something to think about, whether you can believe all the stuff printed or not. Surely among all the thousands of words written there must be some bits of truth there somewhere. We can only hope so.

You can be sure that any visitors from outer space would be much more advanced than we are. This would necessarily have to be so or otherwise they would not be here. They would have had to learn to live together in peace. Something we have not yet learned. Perhaps they have had their costly wars but finally turned their efforts to finding out about the planet next door, or perhaps galaxy.

They would have solved their social problems and their economic headaches. A government would have been evolved that permitted a free people to develop to great heights of cultural and scientific perfection. A great race of people who perhaps remember costly mistakes they themselves made and see a threat to us as well as themselves by our clumsy tampering with power that our scientists can't even accurately measure. A power that some of these same scientists say might consume the earth once it is unleashed; and perhaps a neighboring planet with it.

WE WANT YOU TO MEET

ALBERT K. BENDER, President, IFSB . . . Our President was born in Duryea, Pennsylvania, on June 16th, 1921. He left Pennsylvania nine years ago to move to Connecticut. He graduated high school in West Pittston, Pennsylvania, and is now about to receive a diploma in Industrial Supervision. He is, at present, Chief Timekeeper in a large industrial plant.

His interest in science-fiction started about ten years ago and has won him a host of friends. His interests do not stop at science-fiction since he also delves into the mysteries of the weird and supernatural. These interests become quite evident when one visits his home in Bridgeport. He has spent many long, happy hours in decorating his den with his own artwork. This artwork is not to be found on any of the "spicy" calendars one finds on the market, but rather consists of pictures of characters usually seen only in bad dreams. He calls this pet room his "chamber of horrors".

The "flying saucer" mystery has led him to form the International Flying Saucer Bureau.

He owns a large collection of classical and semi-classical recordings. His collection contains a vast number of unusual recordings which can be classified as rare. He is an ardent tape-correspondent and exchanges tapes with many individuals scattered throughout the country. His collection of science-fiction books and magazines is among the best.

Oh, yes! In conclusion, I must add that he is able to cook mostly any type of dish you can name. Personally, I never miss an opportunity of sitting down to one of his delicious spaghetti and meatball dinners, served on saucers.

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